



**NEVADA COMMISSION ON
AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS MEETING
YOUTH AND TRANSITION SUBCOMMITTEE**

Thursday, July 24, 2014

12:00 pm

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MEETING LOCATIONS

Conference Call From
Grant Sawyer Legislative Building
555 E. Washington Ave., Room 4406
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Agenda items may be taken out of the order listed on the agenda. The items maybe combined for consideration. Items may be delayed or removed at any time.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Announcements

Julie Ostrovsky, Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm.

Voting members Erik Lovaas, Steven Michelman, Maria Martin and Scott Harrington were present.

A quorum was present.

2. Public Comment

No comments.

3. Introductions

This was addressed during role call

4. Role of the Committee

The Committee will put together an action plan with deadlines for accomplishing goals. Some ideas to accomplish this:

- Bring in speakers to present for 10-15 minutes at each meeting to educate the Subcommittee. Suggested speakers: Regional centers, ATAP, Vocational Rehab, CCSD successful teachers (Lisa Cipriano), Sport Social (Andrew Dewitt), CCSD (Tyler Hall), Goodwill Industries (Hillary Nelson)
- Break down transition recommendations by years in school for: Elementary School, Middle School and High School. Have a transition plan for each grade.
- Look at "family navigation" plans

- Build on “211” information line
- 100 Nevada kit
- Milestone booklet for early childhood
- Workforce development is a priority
- Voice in Washoe County – 4 to 1 matching dollars
- Job coaching
- School district partnerships – teacher training, transition practices, vocation rehab program
- Train teachers aides
- Insurance for employers and job trainers
- Incentive for businesses
- Matching children on the spectrum with appropriate jobs
- Counseling on how to deal with the workplace and employee challenges
- Employer education on working with children on the spectrum
- Ingrid Reisman will research programs and classes the University offers children on the spectrum
- Checklists of resources available to parents of children on the spectrum from CCSD, doctors, nutritionists, and resource centers

There was a discussion and comments on ways to accomplish these ideas and suggestions.

5. Review of the Current 5-Year Strategic Plan

The Subcommittee needs to review the report with 146 recommendations, come up with new ideas, review other state’s plans and create a 5-year strategic plan that focuses on youth and transition, children from 6 to 18 years old.

6. Review of Colorado’s Plan

The Subcommittee will review Colorado’s plan and incorporate their recommendations and successes into the Autism plan.

7. Committee’s Wish List

The Committee discussed setting meeting dates through the end of the year: August 11th, September 9th, October 14th, November 18th and December 9th

8. Public Comment

There was discussion and comments about effective transition services in the autism community. Some of the participants will send the Chair articles to be posted to the website.

9. Adjournment

Julie Ostrovsky moved to adjourn the meeting. Erik Lovaas motioned to adjourn the meeting, Steven Michelman seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.